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REF: A) PARIS 3496 (REPEATED AS STATE 34703), B)BRUSSELS
3034 (NOTAL)(BEING REPEATED)

1. AS WITH OTHER REACTIONS RECEIVED HERE, WE ALSO AGREE
WITH USOECD ON THE NEED FOR AN INTEGRATED WESTERN ASSESS-
MENT OF THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE DETERIORATING ECONOMIC
PROSPECTS IN THE EAST. AS IN OECD, NATO HAS KEPT THE
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SITUATION UNDER REVIEW BUT--BEYOND OCCASIONAL COMMENTS
AT THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL WHEN DISCUSSING ECONADS'
PAPERS--NOTHING WAS DONE APPROACHING POLICY LEVEL UNTIL
THE ALLIANCE EAST-WEST STUDY MENTIONED BY AMBASSADOR
HINTON (REF B).

2. THAT STUDY IS NOW NEARING COMPLETION AND IS TO BE CON-

SIDERED AT THE LATE MAY NATO SUMMIT IN WASHINGTON. SO AS
NOT TO UNDERCUT THIS PRESIDENTIAL INITIATIVE, WE CONCUR
IN AMBASSADOR HINTON'S SUGGESTION TO AWAIT ITS OUTCOME.
THE ECONOMIC SUMMIT IN JULY COULD ALSO GIVE IMPETUS TO
ADDITIONAL FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES AMONG "LIKE-MINDED"
GOVERNMENTS, BUT, AS IMPLIED BY PRAGUE (PRAGUE 413,NOTAL)
POLITICAL WILL AND ACUMEN WOULD HAVE TO OVERCOME CONSIDERA-
TIONS OF IMMEDIATE ECONOMIC SELF-INTEREST IF AN OBJECTIVE
ASSESSMENT AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF OPTIMAL WESTERN POLICIES
WERE TO FOLLOW. GLITMAN

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